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Local and General.

The city farthers held a very brief session on Tuesday night. Simply met and adjourned.

Anger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

Laurie Gibon is, we are pleased to state, recovering from an attack of appendicitis.

"I feel about fifteen years older"—Postmaster Burris on Wednesday morning.

A very attractive design of the new agricultural hall is on view in the window of the Skinner Drug Company.

Miss Estella Mooney returned from Edmonton on Sunday after completing a business course in Alberta College.

Real Estate is again beginning to move. T. C. King sold his farm this week to Henry Brown of Minnesota. Several town lots have also changed hands.

Some twenty of the prominent business men of the town were summoned to Red Deer as juries this week. This is one way of paralyzing the business of the town.

Richard Shillito returned this week from an extensive trip in the south where he had gone with his daughter, who was travelling for her health. Miss Shillito remained in the south but Mr. Shillito is delighted to get home.

Do not forget the auction sale of pure blood registered shorthorn cattle at the Wetskinian stockyards on March 31st. It pays to raise pure blood stock, so don't be afraid to buy. A well known bank manager once said: "Show me a pure blood stock breeder, and I will show you a red barn, a painted house, and a bank account."

At a meeting of the Board of Trade on last Friday night a proposition from Major McPherson to erect a hotel at Gull Lake was discussed and it was decided to give the project the Board's most hearty support. The building is to be 40x60, three stories high. Most of the necessary funds have already been subscribed. The secretary reported that the C. P. R. have signified their intention of running week-end excursions the coming summer if hotel accommodation for the crowds they will bring to Alberta's famous summer resort is guaranteed.

End of Season Snaps:

1 Calskin Coat, rat collar and cuffs,	\$45.00 reduced to \$38.00
1 Wombat,	32.00 reduced to 26.00
1 Dog Astrachan Collar,	\$25.00 for 21.00
Men's black Overcoats, velvet collar,	15.00 for 12.00
Grey Overcoats, velvet collar,	12.00 for 9.00
Shirts,	1.25 for 1.00
Hats, Caps, Suspenders, etc.	

D. CAMERON
Merchant Tailor

THE WESTERN CANADA PRESS ASSOCIATION.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Western Canada Press Association was held in Manitoba Hall, Winnipeg, on May 5 and 6. A large number of editors were in attendance from Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and New Ontario.

At the different sessions matters of much interest to the profession were brought up and profitably discussed, among them being the adverse postal regulations. The discussion of this problem resulted in the adoption of a strong resolution to the Department at Ottawa. The inefficient mail service in parts of the west also came in for its full share of discussion. A standing committee was appointed to look after these postal matters.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Honorary president—J. W. Dafoe, Winnipeg Free Press.

President—C. D. McPherson, Portage la Prairie Graphic.

First vice president—George Paterson, Deloraine Times.

Second vice-president—E. S. Zingg, Wapella Post.

Third vice-president—E. H. Gough, Indian Head Vidette.

Secretary—Geo. H. Saulis, Town Topics, Winnipeg.

Treasurer—John Stovel, Nor'West Farmer, Winnipeg.

Executive—W. F. Kerr, Regina Leader; R. C. Laurie, Battlefield Herald; J. A. Fort, Frances Times; C. W. Holmes, Milestone Mail; F. H. Schooley, Lacombe Advertiser.

It was decided to hold next year's meeting of the Association at Regina.

The business sessions were brought to a close at 5 p. m. Friday.

Friday evening by special invitation

LACOMBE, ALBERTA, THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1908

the editors attended the Dominion

theatre, and afterwards a very enjoyable banquet was held at the Royal Alexandra Hotel.

The McHardy Meetings.

Sunday was a day that will long be remembered in the Methodist Church. Robt. McHardy of Toronto on that day opened a series of meetings in the town.

Before the close of the first day there was a mighty move among the people.

In the morning the Evangelist spoke to the Christian people and in the afternoon to the (the Sunda) School. Half a hundred young people and boys and girls signified a desire and intention to live a new life. The church was uncomfortably full at night, when Mr. McHardy presented the subject of "The Upward and Sin" in such a way as to bring conviction to such in the church and outside of the church. Strong-minded persons went away that night to think and

live differently forever.

The meetings concluded with an extended service.

The crowds are large every

night and the services more fruitful.

On Friday evening the evangelist will speak especially to young people, to which service however all people are invited.

There will be three services on Sunday morning and evening and a mass meeting at 8 o'clock when Mr. McHardy will take

up the subject of card playing and dancing.

The speaker is fair and candid. He is

a splendid type of evangelist and will go

a long way to dispel criticism of special

meetings that is all too common.

He respects the position of his hearers and

does not seek to demolish by ridicule

and sarcasm, but to present facts, to

awaken conscience, to point out the way,

but further than that he does not urge

his audience by playing upon their feelings.

When you hear him you have a

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P. G. LAURIE

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THE LATE P. G. LAURIE
Late Editor and Proprietor of The
Battleford Herald.

In the long list of editors and newspaper men, short histories of whose work have been set forth from time to time under this heading, what name has appeared more worthy of consideration than that of the late P. G. Laurie. It is doubtful if any other man connected with the newspaper business was better known, or more highly esteemed. Indeed, it may be said that he was almost, if not the first editor to engage in pioneer newspaper work in these western provinces.

A native of Scotland, he came to Canada with his father, when quite a young lad. He learned the printing trade in Cobourg, Ont., and a few years later published a paper at Owen Sound, his first newspaper venture, subsequently publishing the Essex Record at Windsor, Ont. In the year 1863 he came to Battleford, where John Schulte, to visit that little-known west, and after the many vicissitudes of travel he eventually arrived at Fort Garry, and took charge of the "No-Where" newspaper. Interrupted by the outbreak of the first Riel rebellion, Mr. Laurie was forced to remove to Lord Elgin Garry with the fall of the Canadian Government. Here he printed the proclamations for the authorities, as well as their replies, and the editor proclamations of the rebel leaders. Subsequently he was enabled to leave the country and return to Ontario. The following year he made his second trip west, and by way of the Dawson route, and reaching Winnipeg on Sept. 4, 1870. He purchased the plant of the "New West" and the publication of the Manitoba News-Letter. Remaining in Winnipeg for some years in connection with newspaper work in the West, Mr. Laurie traveled across the plains with a newspaper plant in ox carts. Arriving at Battleford on Aug. 11, 1875, he established the Herald, and by his pen published west of Winnipeg and the most northerly paper on the American continent. From that date until his death on May 13, 1903, the history of his life has been the history of Battleford. Through prosperity and depression, through times of war and of peace, he conducted his paper during most of the time, filling simultaneously every position in the editorial, mechanical and business staffs, never for a moment detracting from his interest in the ultimate future of the country he loved so well. In 1885, during the stirring times of the rebellion, he alternated between military duties in the garrison and the publication of his paper as opportunities offered.

What more can be said than that he did his best in his capacity of pathfinder for western journalism. It required a man of energy and purpose, a man of great confidence, to establish a newspaper so far removed from the settled districts. He repre-

ed the courage born of strong conviction, the courage during the early days when the country was slow in developing and to retain a faith then that has been more than justified by the subsequent and rapid prosperity that has since taken place.

The Herald has been managed since the death of Mr. Laurie by his son, Mr. Bernard C. Laurie, who though a young man, has had much practical experience in the early days of Winnipeg. The first paper on which he set type was the Manitoba News-Letter. He was born at Owen Sound in 1858, and received his earlier education at the public school at Windsor. On coming to Winnipeg he was employed in a school taught by the late W. F. Luxton. He was a student of Manitoba College from 1878 to 1879 (mathematical major) and of Royal Military College from 1877 to 1880 (gold medalist). He won a commission in the English army although he did not accept it, but entered the Canadian service, serving his apprenticeship with George McPhillips, D. L. S. of Winnipeg. In 1885 he returned to Battleford, and here he resided with his wife for the next six years in which he was engaged as district engineer for the Northwest government at the Regina, the Red Deer. He resigned his latter appointment to return to Battleford on the death of his father. At the time of the rebellion of 1885, Mr. Laurie was in partnership with Gowen and his name is associated with the massacre at Frog Lake. During the protracted rebellion he served with P. G. 9th, 60th and 61st Battalions' column. At the outbreak of the South African campaign he joined Strathcona's Horse as Major in C Company, and served for some time until invalided home as a result of enteric fever.

Laurie continues to follow his profession, but retains his old title of the "Editor of the Battleford Herald," the oldest and one of the best weekly papers printed in Saskatchewan.

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On the Wings Of Pegasus.

By MARTHA COBB SANFORD.

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"A fine day it's a, mister," commented genial Mike as Marcia, one hand on his shoulder, the other on the pommel, sprang lightly into the saddle.

"Heavens!" agreed the girl, but the wristful expression in her eyes belied her gaiety.

"Wod ye be goin' alone?" queried Mike, smilingly, regarding the costs of their riding skins.

"It looks that way," laughed Marcia, "unless I meet Lochinvar on the highway."

"I was only thinkin' Pegasus is pretty frisky the day, ov'ly to standin' so long in the stall. He's jolky to run wid ye, Miss Marcia. But av course if Master Lock-pardon, mister, I f'gat the r'v'r name-is goin' to meet ye!"

Marcia interrupted him with a merry laugh.

"Oh, Pegasus and I will get along all right, I'm sure," she said. "No one ever took such good care of him as you do, Mike. He's win the blue ribbon at any horse show."

Mike grinned appreciatively and tipped his cap.

"Now don't ye be doin' any jumpin', Miss Marcia," he cautioned, as Marcia, her proud chit held high, gave Pegasus a smart kick with her silver-dipped spur and trotted off along the smoothly rounded driveway.

"Pheat'r-rud wud ye be takin', Miss Marcia?" called the admiring crowd after her.

"The Tanglewood road, I guess," Marcia answered back over her shoulder.

"There really was no gawsworth about it. Since a certain memorable day nearly a month ago no other road had failed for Marcia any charm—and yet for three long weeks she had persisted in her determination to ride alone."

Now, as she turned toward the highway that led into the old winding road, her thoughts galloped ahead of her horse's hoofs, and already in imagination she had brought Pegasus to the stables at the other end of the road and was awaiting, spellbound, a man and horse take jump after jump over the meadow way.

How she longed to try it herself! Pegasus vaulted beautifully, she knew, and had seen her take the best marks in all the shows at which she had participated.

But she had promised her father that she would never attempt it. That was the condition, in fact, by which Pegasus was her very own possession.

Then she remembered with a thrill how she had been so near to it before she could control him had followed the lead of the other rider and bounded with the grace of a greyhound over the meadow way. The unexpected addition of it had taken her breath away. But oh, was there ever any exaggeration?

Before she could recover from her surprise the unknown rider had galloped up beside her and, dispensing with even an apology for his lack of courtesy, he exclaimed: "A magnificent performance! Please accept my compliments."

And she, conscious of the rising color in her cheeks, had answered smugly.

"Your praise belongs all to Pegasus. I didn't know he was goin' to do it."

"How incredulous the man had looked!"

"You mean?" he asked, dubting his senses.

"That I just took a jump before the horse relieved me of my life. I was never more astonished in my life."

"In that case allow me to pay my compliments over again," the man had said, looking at her with undiminished admiration. "Pegasus has a wonderful eye right."

And then Marcia blushed to recall it—she had spent the rest of that glorious morning in taking vaunting lessons from an unknown riding master. And of further truth she told he had let the accident of one day dictate the program of her riding.

But after that she had come to the conclusion that she had been forced to beat a reluctant but absolute retreat. In other words, every day for three long monotonous weeks Marcia had reluctantly avoided the Tanglewood road.

Today she had closed her ears to the prosaic arguments of prudence and literally given rein to her fancy. The air was as crisp and the sky as blue as on that other day. Her heart throbbed with excitement.

"Waiter, Pegasus, father," she urged, touching the horse's shining flanks with her crop. "We're almost there."

When the edge of the wood was reached she drew rein and with eager, shining eyes looked out expectantly over the meadow way. There was one in sight. Well, she would have one jump anyway.

Pegasus was as keen for the sport as Marcia herself. He took the wall tautly—not only once, but again and again, until the two had fastened down in the wall catching far-cast's attention, she decided to put her horse at that. It was higher than the wall and would be glorious to fly over.

Just as Pegasus sprang for the leap she heard a loud, shrill laugh behind her. It was her father's. Mike recognized Mike on her father's saddle horse, and the next moment, saw she never knew, found herself carried high over Pegasus' head.

As luck would have it, she landed on a heap of dead leaves blown by the

winds against the flank of the wall and lost her balance completely. When I got the "ev'ly" I could not get up again as was kneeling beside her and bathing her forehead with cold water.

"Don't tell father, Mike," she pleaded faintly, her eyes still closed.

"No, mister."

Then again after a few minutes' silence.

"Am I badly hurt, Mike?"

"Not the ghost of a scratch, Miss Marcia. I couldn't have picked out a better place for ye to land myself—a pile of soft leaves and a shrub or two close by. Faith an' it's luck was ridin' wid ye the day, Miss Marcia."

"But how did you happen to follow me, Mike?"

"I was afraid ye might not be—t' the right place. Look—pardon me, Mr. Fergus, his name's Mr. Fergus—after all. Did Pegasus run wid ye, mister? How come ye to be jumpin'?"

A faint color stole into the girl's cheeks.

"But, I can jump, Mike. You should see me, when I'm in a top full of pride in spite of my fainting."

"I have many's the tolma," was Mike's unexpected reply.

Marcia's eyes opened wide. She raised herself on one arm and stared at him.

"Why, you're not Mike at all! I must be dreamin' You're—"

"Lochinvar, dear," he answered, smiling upon her lovingly and taking her hand.

And the white, wavy head rested on his shoulder, unknown knight explained to his lady of the saddle how he came to be Mike and Lochinvar and Kendall Lee, Esq., architect by profession, all rolled into one. It was partly her faint at course, for she had been raised in a home where she had been surrounded by such men.

"Now, I'm thinkin' I'll have to get back into it by hook or by crook."

"It's used up pretty nearly all my fall vacation, this grom of my lady's substantial business," he concluded humorously, "but I'll be back again to my profession entirely, for I've spent all my leisure moments, dastard, planning a dream a' little house for two."

He paused and waited for Marcia to speak, but never a word said Marcia. She didn't even raise her eyes to look at him. She didn't even lift her head from his shoulder.

So Kendall blessed her.

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DEATH BY FIRE

Nearly Two Hundred Ohio School Children Meet Horrible Death in a Conflagration.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 4.—In a horror which a parallel that of the Amherst accident, 170 children lost their lives this morning when the Lake View school, in Collinwood, a suburb of Cleveland, was burned to the ground. Two teachers perished in vain efforts to save their little charges. Tonight half of the families in the suburb are mourning the loss of one or more of their members.

Three little girls coming from the basement saw smoke, but before the alarm sounded the alarm, a mass of flame was sweeping up the staircase from the basement. Before the children on the upper floors could reach the ground their egress was cut off and they perished. It was all over almost before the frantic mothers who gathered realized that their children were doomed.

The Lake View school was a three-story wooden building. Under the eaves of the basement in the front of the building was a furnace. Owing to the cold weather there was less fire than usual, and it is certain the fire did not start there. The school officials believe an incendiary started the fire. It is possible that the fire was started by the school children while at play, but there is nothing resembling evidence along this line. The Collinwood school board will have the cause of the fire thoroughly investigated.

The victims range in ages from six to sixteen years. From the minute the fire began to the start of the doors of the children's schoolroom. The building was a fire trap and was insufficiently provided with fire escapes. It had but two exits, one of which at the critical hour was found to be barred. There was also lax discipline in the institution, and finally, the fire department of the village was utterly unable to cope with the situation.

A panic was primarily responsible. Had the 300 little ones been able to perceive the presence of mind scores that were down in the roaring flames might have escaped safely. As it was dozens were crushed to death before the flames reached them. The terrible scene for safety, dozens more were killed in frantic leaps from the windows, and the remainder smothered up in the flames, and were carried down into the raging furnace in the cellar of the building fifteen minutes after the first alarm sounded, while agonized parents dashed helplessly about on the outside, restrained only by force from dashing in. When the floor of the building collapsed, further rescue became absolutely impossible.

Cleveland, March 5.—One hundred and sixty two bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the Collinwood school. This accounts for all the missing, according to City Engineer Gould, who was in charge of the search party during the night. Of these 110 have been positively identified. Coroner Burke declares his belief that at least thirty bodies will never be identified. The bodies are so badly burned that identification is impossible.

Cleveland, March 11.—Coroner Burke rendered his decision today. Conditions existing are bland, but no fault is charged to anyone. The coroner says the fire was caused by overheated pipes.

Death of F. E. Wilkins.

The sudden death of F. E. Wilkins on Tuesday evening came as a severe shock to the town. The circumstances in connection with his death will probably never be known. Deceased had been at his rooming quarters in Mr. Parcoun's residence about three o'clock in the afternoon and from there evidently went to his office. At Mr. Parcoun's door he was met by Mr. King, with whom he had a short and probably his last conversation. About five o'clock Mr. Tett went to the Electric Light office and found the front door locked. He entered by the back way and found Mr. Wilkins in the back room sitting on a nail keg bleeding profusely and in an unconscious condition and breathing heavily. Medical aid was summoned and upon examination it was found that a bullet had pierced through the head of the deceased and that recovery was impossible. Life however was not extinct until about two o'clock in the morning.

The coroner pronounced an inquest unnecessary, everything plainly pointing to suicide. The weapon used was a .38 calibre lever Johnson revolver and had been placed against the right side of his head, the bullet coming out just behind the left ear. Lacombe people are unable to understand the incentive, the only possible theory being despondency caused by worry over business matters and brooding over the recent death of his brother. A number of things make it apparent that he had for some time had self-destruction under consideration.

Deceased was about 48 years of age, had resided in the town for 20 years and was for four years a member of the North-West Legislature. He was the promoter and manager of the Blindman River Electric Power Co. The remains were interred in the Red Deer cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

Blackfalds.

Mr. John McKay is making arrangements to build a handsome residence on his farm about two miles north of the village.

A farewell social was given on Friday evening last by the W. C. T. U. in honor of Mrs. H. Moe, who, with her husband and young son, will leave at an early date for North Dakota. An enjoyable evening was spent. The proceedings were under the able supervision of the president, Mrs. John McKay, who left nothing undone for the entertainment of the guests.

The council of L. I. D. W. met Saturday afternoon.

The village council met on Monday evening.

Mr. Ed. Begert, of Blindman Valley, returned on Sunday from Kansas, with a string of ten settlers and four cars of settlers effects. These parties will settle in the valley west of this place.

A board of trade was organized in the village with R. A. Stulair as president and Jas McNeil secretary.

Few towns of the population of Blackfalds can boast of the church accommodation which this village affords. There are at the present time three churches and four resident ministers. The Methodist body have purchased the residence of Rev. H. Moe to be used in future for their parsonage. The purchase price was \$1200.

South Gull Lake.

Mr. Ralph Wiese is the proud owner of a spanking team and top buggy.

Some young ladies of south-west of Gull Lake made friendly visits to Bentley. Look out for them this leap year.

Will the young fellows of Bentley last Constable Veelund know where the young man's buggy wheels are.

Mr. W. B. McPherson of Bentley is talking of building a big hotel at Wiesville this coming spring for the accommodation of summer visitors.

There is some talk that R. Hutchinson has rented the Alexandra Hotel of Bentley.

Mr. A. Weary was posting sale bills on Saturday last, for his sale on Monday March 16th. (From Lunch at noon).

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the dance of Mr. Gray's on Friday night. The married folk played cards, while the young folk danced. The Spruceville band gave the music.

Mr. Chas. McCarrick expects to give a dance in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wiese were out driving on Sunday.

John Duff must have some attraction in Lacombe, he has been there quite regularly lately.

Mr. S. H. Welsh spent Saturday in Lacombe.

Rev. Patstone and wife are staying at Mr. Welsh's at present.

Mr. Wiese is intending to put up a sunnus hotel and dancing hall in connection. Look it up Mr. Wiese.

Mr. J. F. Millar has got two men steady cutting brush on his farm.

The Messrs. Ebeling are still very busy hauling wood to Lacombe. SPORT.

Spring Valley.

The next meeting of the Literary Society to be held on March 18, promises to be exceptionally interesting. The subject for debate will be—Resolved that a person will gain more knowledge by travel than by reading. Miss Rowe will talk on South Africa where she spent three years in teaching. There will also be vocal and instrumental selections besides a dialogue and a few readings.

A petition is in circulation to have telephone connection with the outer world via Cugliwell. By all means let us have a line to this point.

We haven't heard much lately about the new post office to be established at Spring Valley. We need one badly, and what's more, we are entitled to one.

Births.

BURRIS—At Lacombe, on Wednesday, March 11th to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Burris, a son.

AYERS—At Blackfalds, on March 3, to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ayers, a son.

WESTLING—At Valley City, on Sunday, March 8, 1908, to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Westling, a son.

ILLISLEY—At Lacombe on Monday March 2nd, to Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Illisley, a daughter.

Deaths.

ILLISLEY—On Tuesday, March 3, 1908, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Illisley.

WESTLING—At Valley City on Sunday, March 8, 1908, William Westling, aged 40, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Westling.

JOHNSON—At Jones Valley, on Wednesday, March 11, Simon Peter Johnson, aged about 55. He was a bachelor, having no relatives native of Sweden; came to Alberta from the state about four years ago.

Hospital Fund.

Lacombe, Mar. 5

Total cash on hand \$1062.75
Amount paid for hospital wks 311.50

Total contributions to date \$1374.25

TERMS: CASH.

Conservative Victory in New Brunswick.

The result of the New Brunswick provincial election is another straw that indicates which way the wind blows. For forty-five years the Liberal party controlled the provincial legislature, turned down by an overwhelming majority. The victory is all the more notable in that the government forces had proclaimed that the election was on Dominion lines, and left no stone unturned to carry it.

Before breaking up it was decided to have their summer meeting about first week in June at Erieville. Mr. Frank and Grey received a vote of thanks to the president expressing their great satisfaction with the meeting and the way it was conducted, at the same time expressing regret that there were so few from the town and country, when such a favor had been conferred in holding the meeting in Lacombe. The president spoke appreciatively of their treatment and that in the future Lacombe would not be overlooked. J. J. G.

Stock Growers Meet.

The Central Alberta Stock Growers Association held its meeting, as advertised in the hall of the Adelphi Hotel on the 6th and 7th inst. Mr. G. H. Gregg was present representing the Dominion Live Stock Commissioner. He gave an instructive address and was very useful in the discussion. The marketing of live stock production or any farm production is the problem. It involves itself in one of transportation.

For this reason the reading of the verbatim report of the president's address as delivered before the National Live Stock Association at Ottawa dealing with the difficulties and unfortunate expenses of farmers and ranchers is attempting to ship to the outside markets their fat cattle came with very great interest. Mr. Whitesides was able to support his statements before the convention with letters and affidavits from actual shippers who through the intervention of the railway officials, saying nothing of the inconvenience, the losses in the carrying of cattle for car and later arrival in the markets, loss of the hundreds and even thousands of dollars. This statement of facts at that meeting in which the government was largely represented was followed up by resolutions of the association will be the means of getting these grievances before the rail commission and instrumental ultimately in putting the cattle industry on a much more profitable basis, when the stock producer can ship their own cattle and will not be solely at the mercy of corporate buyers. Among a lot of other business and interesting discussion was a talk by Will Godson of the Stettler Independent on brands. He spoke from practical experience. He termed it the Queensland Australia system. The brand was composed of a figure and two letters. It was in the whole alphabet and numbers 0 to 9, by transposing the numbers could it make up into a million, and in the tracing of derelict advertising and lapsing of brands the system was very simple and effective. Wm. Barnes.

School Debentures Sold.

The Lacombe school debentures have been sold to the Sun Life Assurance Company, through their special representative D. C. Ebersole of this place. The debentures are for \$20,000, to run thirty years and the interest paid was 9.25, being 1.25 per cent, better than any other offer. This is a good indication of the faith of the Sun Life Company in western investments.

Extray.

Taken up on my premises on Section 10-42-1-5, one saddle, horse bay color, about eight or nine years old, brand—anchor on left hip. Owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and remove said animal.

Wm. Barnes.

NOTICE.

Owing to a termination of the agreement between The Advertiser and the supply house furnishing us the continued story, the story "Dora Deane" will not appear further in our columns.

Present Prices!

I have not combined with the merchants of Lacombe to raise the prices of flour on the people, as the mills have not raised on us.

OAK LAKE FLOUR.

We guarantee to be as good as the best and second to none or money refunded.

\$3.50 per 100 lbs. **\$3.25**

Granulated Sugar

Beet sugar, 20 lb sack \$1.15
B. C. cane sugar, 20 lb sack 1.20

All other goods, in proportion. Everything sold at lowest possible price.

Chas. West.

First door south of Union Bank.

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An entirely new line of Toilet Soap now at reasonable prices, especially our hard water soap, 10¢ cake, 25¢ box.

A full line of Drugs, Stationery and Toilet Articles carried. Call in and see for yourselves.

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CLOTHING!

A good assortment of men's and boys' suits always in stock. Also a full line of Gent's Furnishings, etc.

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Lacombe Alberta

Extray Notice.

On the southeast quarter of 36-38-26, one red and white steer, about 3 years old, branded T.L. — Owner will please call and pay expenses and render same. C. B. BISHOP.

Mrs. Radel, Proprietress

Russel Block, Lacombe.